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## TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. (S23C2B)

WHEREAS, The Vicjas Band of Mission Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized under the Articles of Association approved by the Secretary of Interior on August 18, 1972; and

WHEREAS, The Viejas Band of Mission Indians is pleased to join White Bison in celebrating September 2002 as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month in Alpine, California.

WHEREAS, acknowledging September 2002 offers individuals in the substance abuse treatment community an opportunity to educate the public and policymakers about the effectiveness of treatment, both societal and financial; and

WHEREAS, substance use and abuse is a major public health problem that affects Americans of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds and in all communities and which a huge medical, societal, and economic cost; and

WHEREAS, substance abuse is a treatable disease and treatment of addiction is as successful as the treatment of other chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and asthma; and

WHEREAS, thousands of health care providers have dedicated their lives to the recovery process and to the education of the public about alcoholism, drug dependence, and treatment issues; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, and The Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians invite all residents of the Viejas community to participate in National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Viejas tribal Council, does hereby proclaim the month of September 2002 as:









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## Proclamation for National Native American Wellbriety Month

August 20, 2002

We, the Viejas Band of Kume———ans recognize and value the sobriety and spiritual, mental, emotional and physical weintess of our members and our People. We are aware of and support the need for sobriety and recovery from chemical dependence as key to the success of our organization's group efforts.

Recognizing that greater wellness, al:... known as Wellbriety, is beneficial to our organization and our wider community, we wholeheartedly support White Bison's efforts in conjunction with SAMHAS and CSAT, in promoting Wellbriety on the individual, family, community and national levels.

Therefore, the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians supports the proclamation of September, 2002 as National Native American Wellbriety Month.

Sincerely,

Steven F. TeSam, Chairman

Bobby L. Barrett, Vice-Chairman

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